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- The post office in Focsani is located in the central area of town, on the western side of the Adjud-Ramnicul Sarat highway (see No. 7, sketch 1).
 - a. A large one-story building houses some offices of the post office (see section A, sketch 2).
 - b. A smaller new building houses the offices of the post office and those of the telephone exchange (see section B, sketch 2).
- 2. The telephone exchange is installed in a building located opposite the Town Hall on the southern side of the main road from the Focsani railway station to the center of town (see No. 1, sketch 1). The building, which has a basement, a first, and a second floor, is new, modern, and spacious (see sketches 3, 4, and 5).
- 3. The central exchange, which occupies the second floor of the building, is equipped with ten frames with a maximum capacity of 200 circuits each (see No. 5, sketch 5). Presently only four of those frames, with approximately 500 circuits, are in operation. Telephone numbers in use are of two and three digits, all above number 50 and under number 599. All circuits terminate in six switchboards installed in a switchboard room located on the first floor of the building (see Nos. 8 and 9, sketch 4). The exchange may be expanded as the equipment presently installed occupies no more than a fifth of the total area of the exchange (see sketch 5). All equipment is of standard American construction and is in good working condition.
- 4. The system used in Focsani is semi-automatic. All telephone handsets installed in the subscribers' homes are automatic, except that the dials have been replaced by blind plates. The system, called a central battery system (baterie centrala), is powered by 48-volt direct current provided by the central power unit of the station. This system could be easily converted to a fully automatic system and in 1951 it was anticipated that this transformation will soon be made in Focsani.

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5. The post office in Focsani employs the following personnel:

Bookkeepers (Contabili)	6
Telegraph operators (Telegrafisti)	10
Telegram distributors (Factori telegrafici)	2
Telegram counter employees (Personal la ghiseele telegrafice)	3
Counter personnel (Personal ghisee)	7
Mail clerks (Cartare)	3
Parcel distribution (Coletarie-Mesagerii)	3
Postmen (Factori)	7
Shipment of printed matter (Cartare imprimate)	1
Cleaners (Oameni serviciu)	2
Storekeepers (Magazioneri)	?

Approximate total - 50 persons

6. The telephone exchange in Focsani employs the following personnel:

Technicians in exchange (Tehnicieni in centrala)	-4
Inter-city circuit installer (Limiori)	5
Repairmen (Reparatori de deranjamente)	1
Circuit installers (Instalatori de circuite)	2
Technical Staff (Serviciul tehnic)	5
Traffic operators (Operatoare de trafic)	22
Commercial service (Serviciul comercial)	3
Storekeepers (Magazioneri)	3
Cleaners (Oameni serviciu)	2
Watchmen (Paznici)	. 3
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Approximate total - 50 persons

- a. Technicians in the exchange are Raducan (fnu) and Gheorghe Stefan, both graduates of the Telephone Technical School in Bucharest. Both have much experience and are considered indispensable in the exchange.
- b. Chief of the technical staff is Gheorghe Dragomir, a former installer. He has no technical education, but from his background he is versed in technical matters and is a skilled electrician.
- c. The traffic service employs 22 girls. Eighteen work three daily eight-hour shifts. The remaining four are reserve operators.

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